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## POOR MEDICAL CONDITIONS NOTED IN SEVERAL AREAS

MEDICAL WORK AT KOKHMA IMPROVED -- Meditsinskiy Rabetnik, No 16 (828), 20 Apr 49

In the 6 April (No 81t) issue of <u>Mediteinskiy Rabetnik</u> some readers commented on inefficient unification of medical enterprises at Kokhma. Semenov, Chief of the Ivanovo Oblast Public Health Department, investigated. As a result, Deputy Doctor Fisenko of the United Polyclinic, has been relieved of his position. The building housing the Polyclinic has been remodeled and order has been restored. Duties have been reassigned and a second municipal hospital has been added to the United Medical Enterprises.

A commission, appointed by the Oblast Soviet and Medical Society of the Public Health Department, investigated the operating conditions of the medical enterprise and has recommended modifications.

COMPLAIN OF RURAL MELICAL SERVICE -- Meditsinskiy Rabotnik, No 16 (828), 20 Apr 49

Letters from various readers from widely separated points attest to general improvement in medical service available to rural populations by the present day network of rural medical enterprises. However, many still complain of poor medical service. Much of this can be traced to inefficient use of available equipment and to poor organization. Many oblast hospitals and rayon public health departments do not help young specialists in their work. For example, though the Ust'-Ishim Rayon is well staffed with specialists and physicians, the Cask Oblast Public Health Department h. failed to appreciate the difficulties that these rural doctors must overcome. They appear completely disinterested in the affairs of rural public health service enterprises. Another complaint comes from the Bedno-Dem'yanov hospital of Penzen Oblast where it appears that the hospital chief is more interested in commercial transactions than in giving medical service. The chief surgeon of Frolov Rayon Hospital, Stalingred Oblast, does not seem to care about the health of people within his jurisdiction. Other letters with complaints have reached us from Turkestan Rayon, Yuzhno-Kazakhstan Oblast, Tiraspol' Rayon, Molisvian SSR, aid Pisarev Rayon, Voronezh Oblast.

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